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MOONSEINERS COUGHT

Calvin Ferris and Son Bert Had Regular Still In Operation.

Thursday forenoon Sheriff J. S. Garrison, Revenue Officer W. H. Tyler and son and Marshal Hughes went to the house of Cal. Ferris, two miles from Pomona, and arrested Cal. Ferris and son Bert and took them to Cookeville for trial on the charge of making moonshine whiskey.

They had a complete stilling outfit located a few hundred yards from the Ferris barn. In the barn they had a small room that they kept locked. In this room the officers found about a dozen tubs full of still mash and groud grain intended for stilling. There was a pipe extending from the room to the still, about 250 yards distant, and through this pipe it seemed they run the mash when it was ready for stilling.

The son, Bert Ferris, was not at home when the officers arrived, but came home in a short time and was placed under arrest. Cal. Ferris was found cutting wood near the still, which was located in a thicket.

HERBERT DOMAIN.

Gov. Roberts Urging Development of the State's Valuable Property.

A bill has been introduced in both houses of the legislature looking to the development of the state property consisting of 10,000 acres of land known as Herbert Domain.

Gov. Roberts sent a special message to both houses urging the passage of the bill and the feeling is general that there will be no opposition to the bill. Just what the provisions of the bill are we are unable to state but it is claimed that a survey of the property is included and that the timber and coal both will be considered.

At this time there are about 400 boys there from the state industrial school. Most of the boys are colored. The work of these boys is mainly growing food crops to be used for feeding state institutions.

It is the purpose of the state to use this property as the industrial home for boys both colored and white, as soon as suitable buildings and other arrangements can be perfected for handling them and at the same time keep them separated.

Gov. Roberts made the development of Herbert Domain one of his strong talking points when canvassing the state for nomination for governor. That he will take active steps to the limit of his authority to develop this property is universally admitted.

One important point connected with the proposed development will be the building of a good road from Crossville to the Domain. Crossville being the most desirable railroad point on the mountain from which a road can be built to the Domain, there is every probability that the road will be built, since it is known that Gov. Roberts favors it.

AGED CITIZEN GONE.

William Johns Died Thursday, Aged 81; Buried Saturday.

William Johns died at his home three miles west of Crossville Thursday from dropsy and weight of years. He was 81 years, three months and 19 days old. He leaves a wife and two married daughters.

He had been sick since September and death was due to dropsy and a general breakdown due to advanced age.

Mr. Johns was a union veteran and belonged to the Tenth Tennessee Infantry, Company I, under General Gillem, in the war between the states. He was for 46 years a member of the M. E. church and was highly respected as a citizen and beloved as a neighbor.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Robert Hall and the remains were interred in the city cemetery Saturday.

ROAD BUILDING IS GIVEN BIG BOOST

Post Office Bill Passes Senate Carrying \$200,000,000, Which Means Almost \$7,000,000 for Tenn.; Equal Amount by State

Last Saturday the United States Senate passed the postoffice bill, which carried an appropriation of two hundred million dollars to be expended within the next five years for road building in the several states, provided each state, by counties or as a state, appropriated a like amount. No fears are entertained that the House will fail to pass the measure.

Senator McKellar, speaking on the subject, said:

"I wish especially to call to the attention of our government and the Tennessee legislature the appropriation of \$200,000,000 for road building in the states made in the postoffice appropriation bill, and passed by the senate last Saturday night. This tremendous sum of money is to be expended under the Federal road act passed in 1916, the present law. The states or subdivisions thereof must put up a like amount. Roughly speaking, Tennessee will get in the ensuing three years about the sum of \$7,000,000 from this appropriation. In order to get it, however, she must arrange for another \$7,000,000 to be raised by the state and the several counties thereof. The expenditure in the next three years of \$14,000,000 for road building in our state will be of inestimable value to our people. We must take advantage of the true golden opportunity for building up the roads of Tennessee."

"Nothing is of more vital importance to us. It will be necessary for the legislature to pass all proper and needed legislation governing this project. Our returning soldiers must be given work on the various projects, wherever they want it. This road building will insure us that there will not be many idle hands in our state. If necessary, convict labor may be used as a part of the state's appropriation. It is more humane to work these convicts on the roads any way. However, proper safeguards should be made that convicts shall not be brought into competition or contact with any other classes of workmen. I feel sure that a proper plan can be worked out by our legislative authorities."

REQUIRES TALENT.

"The project is going to require good financing on the part of our governor and the legislature, but I am sure Gov. Roberts, active, vigorous and level-headed as he is, and the present progressive legislature, will accomplish the task. Every safeguard must be taken to insure that the work will be honestly and economically done, and the roads must be built so that every part of our state may be treated fairly and equitably. It is a great opportunity, and one that we must take advantage of if we can."

"The people of Tennessee may recall that one of the first bills I introduced into the house after I became a member of it at body, was a bill providing for Federal aid to the roads. One of the first speeches I made there was made on that subject. We, who believed in the principle of Federal aid to roads, were laughed at then, but we kept up the fight and the law just passed is the fruition of the views that we then entered aimed and now entertain, namely, that it is the duty of the Federal government, under the express grant of power, to build post roads, to aid the states in such a manner that there shall be good roads in every part of our common country."

Should the legislature take steps to make our state come within the provisions of the act, it would insure the completion of the Memphis-to-Bristol highway in a substantial manner. It is hard to estimate what good would come from the expenditure of \$14,000,000 in road construction in the state. The benefits, both in good roads and employment for our people, would be almost incalculable.

Clay Long in Congress.

Henry Clay was elected speaker of the house of representatives six times, as follows: In November, 1811, Twelfth congress; in May, 1813, Thirteenth congress; in December, 1815, Fourteenth congress; in December, 1817, Fifteenth congress; in December, 1819, Sixteenth congress; and in December, 1823, Eighteenth congress.

MORE CNICKENS AND EGGS

Home Demonstration Agent Organizing Many Poultry Clubs.

The main project of all the Home Demonstration Agents throughout the state during the month of February is a Poultry Campaign.

Tennessee, five years ago, ranked fourteenth in poultry production. Now she is eighth from the top and this year the Division of Extension will emphasize the poultry work as never before and bring the state nearer to the first rank.

In 1910 the value of poultry products of the United States amounted to \$609,195,257, while last year the value is estimated at \$1,000,000,000—more than Irish and sweet potatoes, tobacco, sugar, rice, peanuts, flax, buckwheat and rye crops combined.

The poultry and egg crop is greater than the hog crop of the United States; the poultry and egg crop is greater than all dairy products in the United States; the poultry and egg crop is greater than the sheep, wool, sugar, rice, peanuts, barley, rye, buckwheat crops. The poultry and egg crop is only smaller than wheat, corn, cotton or hay crops.

This year adults,—men and women—as well as boys and girls, are to be enrolled in the poultry clubs. Each county is asked to enroll 200 adults and 200 children.

Last week the county agent re-organized the clubs at Crossville, Ozone, Pomona and Howard Springs, enrolling 70 members.

The Crossville Poultry club held an enthusiastic meeting at the High school building Monday afternoon. O. B. Reeder made a most interesting address on the work to be done in the spring, and plans were made for a Poultry Show to be held Saturday, Feb. 22, at the court house. Prizes of 75c and 25c will be awarded on the best pair of any standard variety. Each member may enter as many different varieties as he chooses. Each coop must bear the name of the variety, and each exhibitor will furnish his own coop and feed. An admission fee of five cents will be charged and an entry fee of five cents, to cover the cost of the prizes.

Any one in the county wishing to join the Club may do so by sending his or her name to the County Home Agent, and agreeing to set some pure-bred eggs, and study the government bulletins.

The Crossville Clubs have had photographs made with some fine flocks of poultry to be sent to the Division of Extension for use in a State Poultry book.

Any one in the county wishing to buy or sell standard varieties of eggs or fowls please notify the Home Demonstrator, Mrs. E. Cope Alherston, Crossville.

DELOUSING MACHINES

Are Part of Valued Cargo Carried to Near East.

It was a variegated cargo that was carried to the relief of the people of the Near East on the Steamer Mecurus that sailed from New York City last week.

Thirty-five motor trucks' sewing machines, cooking utensils, thirteen hospital units with a great shipment of medical supplies; seventy-six X-ray outfits, food, clothing and sixty-five delousing machines were included in the cargo.

Many people are wearing the same clothing now (in rags) that they had when driven from their homes by the inhuman Turks, and are living in shell-torn houses, as many as ten and fifteen people occupying the same room. One relief worker cables "That hundreds of little children too weak to talk, but their eyes pleading for bread, find their way into this relief station every day. Thousands of these people have given their lives rather than deny Christ. Won't the Christian people of America send assistance at the earliest possible moment?"

CIRCUIT COURT MILL STILL GRINDING

Numerous Criminal Cases Disposed of and Civil Docket May Cosume All of Next Week—Murder in First Degree for Hall.

Circuit court has been in session now into the second week and indications are that another will be required to complete the docket. Most of the criminal cases have been disposed of and the civil cases are now in course of trial.

Perhaps the cases that are exciting the most interest are those growing out of the terrible auto wreck August 4, 1917, when five persons were killed by a Tennessee Central westbound train and two others seriously injured and the auto completely wrecked. There seems to be some six or seven cases grown out of the accident. Several of the cases are against the Hichew estate—Hichew being the man who was driving the car and was one of the killed—and the same number against the Tennessee Central. At this time it seems probable that not all the cases will be tried at this term of court.

Following are such of the criminal cases as had been disposed of up to noon yesterday:

Robert Reed, furnishing liquor to a minor; not guilty.

Robert Reed, forfeiture, nolle on sheriff's fees and clerk's costs.

Robert Reed, having liquor in his possession, \$50 fine and costs.

White Davis and Willie Brookhart, lewdness, nolle on costs and taxes because the parties have married.

Posey Wilson, public drunkenness, not guilty.

Sanders Keyes, having whiskey in his possession, not guilty. Public drunkenness and disturbing public worship, not guilty.

Hugh Price, carrying a pistol, submitted and fined \$50 and costs.

Bryant Parsons, disturbing public worship, not guilty. Violating bone dry law, not guilty.

Albert Morgan, public drunkenness, not guilty.

Albert Wyatt, violating bone dry law, \$50 fine and costs and 30 days in jail; appealed.

Ernest Hale, public drunkenness, submitted, fined \$12.50 and costs.

Thos. Hale, public drunkenness, \$12.50 and costs and ten days in county workhouse, workhouse sentence suspended during good behavior.

Lex Smith and Grant Holloway, gaming, fined \$12.50 and costs under promise to quit and not violate again.

J. S. Taylor, keeping female dog, not guilty.

Hugh Matthews, public drunkenness, not guilty.

Albert Morgan, tipping, \$50 and costs and 30 days in workhouse.

Ezra Burgess, taking timber from the land of another. Prosecutor for state failed to appear and case nolle on costs and taxes.

Robert Reed, housebreaking and larceny. It seems Reed broke into the store of Mrs. A. E. Niles, Ozone, but she declined to prosecute and the case was nolle on costs and taxes.

Fred Hall, murder; convicted of murder in first degree. This is the case reported in the Chronicle a few weeks ago wherein Hall shot and killed his step-grandmother in her home near Peavine. He is a young man not far from 20 years of age and many persons think he is insane. The case will not rest where it now is, is the general feeling.

E. O. Hembree, contempt, discharged on payment of Sheriff's and clerk's costs.

TIME EXTENDED.

The government has extended the time to Feb. 15 for farmers to place orders for nitrate of soda. Act quickly, if you wish to secure nitrate. It will be \$31 a ton f. o. b. seaboard and purchaser must pay the freight.

SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT LOST.

Senate 55 for, Being One Short of the Required Two-thirds.

The proposed amendment to the constitution of the United States, whereby women would be allowed to vote in any state of the union, after ratification by two-thirds of the states, failed to pass the senate by one vote Monday.

The required number was 66 and only 65 votes were cast in favor of the amendment. It was passed by the house a year ago. No further action will be taken at this session of congress, but the matter will come up again when congress convenes after March 4.

Before the vote was taken the women knew they lacked one vote, but clung to the hope that the needed vote would come at the last moment.

Senator McKellar voted for the amendment and Senator Shields paired against it.

ALMOST A "WATER HAUL"

Too Much Haste Prevented Evidence Against Several Suspects.

Saturday night several arrests were made that created quite a stir for the time being.

It will be remembered that Henry Smith, son of Hardin Smith, broke jail here last summer when he was under a charge of carrying a pistol and was suspected of having broken into the junk store of Jud Burkhart and stole a pistol.

Smith returned home a few days ago and was accompanied by Lester Rush, whose home is claimed to be in Kentucky. It seems the boys kept out of sight Saturday and were making plans to rob some of the stores in town Saturday night. The scheme was tipped off and a party, consisting of J. S. Reed, E. S. Burnett, Fred McCarth, Deputy Sheriffs John D. Wyatt and A. Lee, decided to arrest Smith and Rush. After securing Rush, E. S. Burnett ran onto Smith and placed him under arrest. They also arrested Lester Smith, brother of Henry Smith, and John Wright, son of J. V. Wright. Having no direct proof against any of the boys, they turned them loose, except Henry Smith, who was lodged in jail on the old pistol case.

The Rush boys left town Sunday and the whole game they seemed to have planned, was broken up.

The worst mistake made seems to have been in acting too hurriedly. If watch had been set at several of the stores it is very likely the boys could have been caught in the act of house-breaking and then cases could have been made against them. As it was, it proved to be largely a "water haul," except that Henry Smith was lodged in jail, where he stayed only a short time, as he escaped Sunday night. The Cumberland county jail does not seem to have been built for holding prisoners, but for them to escape from.

"FLU" CLAIMS TWO.

Editor Chronicle: The deadly "flu" has been getting in its work in the Pleasant Hill section.

The family of Wm. Jarvis, consisting of seven members, were all stricken down some three weeks ago and no one of the family was able to attend to the others, so friends and neighbors lent all assistance possible and succeeded in saving all but two.

Arthur T. Jarvis died Jan. 23, aged 29 years, and the father, Wm. Jarvis, aged 64, died Feb. 6. Both were buried at Neverfail cemetery.

Wm. Jarvis had a stroke of paralysis on Feb. 6, 1916, and remained helpless and confined to his room till the day of his death, the immediate cause being the deadly "flu." The family has the sympathy of all, far and near.

The writer spent fifteen days and nights in trying to render services in the Jarvis family and now I feel like I am coming down with the "flu" myself.

Truly,
D. W. Lundy.